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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2006 for two(2) month(s) from May 9, 2006 to July 9, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ETH1635/ERS in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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